

**FORESTA 2023: Joint session of the ECE Committee on Forests and the Forest Industry and the FAO European Forestry Commission**

**Item 4(c)  
COFFI Market Discussions 2023**

21 November 2023

10:00 – 13:00 CET

*San Marino, Kursaal Convention Centre, Room Arengo*



Sources of information:

- Draft Forest Products Market Statement (Documentation: ECE/TIM/2023/4) ([link](#));
- 2022 data on forest products' production and trade from the Joint Forest Sector Questionnaire ([link](#));
- 2023 and 2024 data from the Timber Forecast Questionnaire (a hard copy will be shared with participants in the meeting room);
- Country Market Statements ([link](#))
- Forest Products Annual Market Review (registered participants will receive a PDF copy at end of October)

We invite statements by member States on the main issues and developments in their forest products' markets and c addressing the following items:

- (a) Raw material supply security;
- (b) Wood in construction;
- (c) Biotic and abiotic disturbances of forests, their impacts on forest products markets and trade, and current and planned policy measures taken by countries to mitigate economic and ecologic impacts;
- (d) Forests and the forest-based industries in a circular bioeconomy;
- (e) Renewable energy policies and their impacts on forest products markets

The secretariat will utilize the outcome of the market discussion to propose updates and amendments to document ECE/TIM/2023/4 - FAO:EFC/2023/4 and will share these ahead of the meeting of the drafting group on finalizing the Market Statement.

# AGENDA

The session will be moderated by: tbc

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## Forest Policies

Update on European and North American Forest policies with focus on legal and sustainability issues (Lacey Act and European Regulation on Regulation on deforestation-free products)

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## Policies and market trends in the Russian Federation

Update on policies and production and trade of selected forest products

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## Latest trends in global trade flows

Update on international trade of industrial roundwood and sawn softwood

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## Sawn softwood

Update on European and North American Forest policies with focus on legal and sustainability issues (Lacey Act and European Regulation on Regulation on deforestation-free products)

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## Sawn hardwood

Main findings of the International Hardwood Conference and overview on North American hardwood markets

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## Wood based panels

Wood based panel markets in North America and Europe – 2022, 2023 and beyond

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## Pulp and paper

Data brief and market update on Pulp and paper - current trends – update from London Pulp Week, innovation and recycling of pulp and paper in Europe

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## Wood energy

Update on current trends and developments on wood energy policies and market trends in Europe and the Western Balkan for 2021, 2022 and beyond

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## Discussion, statements and closing remarks